

**State Board Education
Briefing Paper
Washington ACT Advisory Council**

Issue/Definition: American College Testing (ACT) is an independent, not-for-profit organization that provides more than a hundred assessment, research, information, and program management services in the broad areas of education and workforce development.

ACT has had a Washington State ACT Advisory Council for 14 years (1992). Membership includes: UW, WSU, TESC, Gonzaga, PLU, Edmonds CC, Community Colleges of Spokane; SPI, SBE, SBCTC, HECB; Walla Walla SD, Clover Park SD; Bellarmine Prep, Odessa HS, Central Valley HS; Washington Education Foundation, Collegeology, and Independent Colleges of Washington.

The purposes of the advisory council are to: Serve as a communication link between Washington State educational institutions and agencies and ACT, assist ACT regional office staff identify state educational issues and service needs, and share your ideas and challenges with other secondary and post-secondary educators.

RCW Cite: N/A.

Expiration of SBE Authority: N/A.

OSPI Role: OSPI is represented on the council.

State Board Role: Foster communication between the Board, through its council representative, and other member organizations on issues affecting students and education in Washington State.

Effect on Districts: N/A per se. Districts and schools are represented on the council.

Recommendation from SBE Staff: Retain a Board presence on the council.

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